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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference MTO 03 1345 5734	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/AU03/00910	International filing date (day/month/year) 14 July 2003	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 12 July 2003
<p>Applicant THE COUNCIL OF THE QUEENSLAND INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH et al</p>		

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This international search report consists of a total of 4 sheets.



It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the report**
 - a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

 the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
 - b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

 contained in the international application in written form.

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 furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.

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 the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

 the statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished
2. **Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).**
3. **Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).**
4. With regard to the title, the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

 the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:
5. With regard to the abstract, the text is approved as submitted by the applicant

 the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.
6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

 as suggested by the applicant.

 because the applicant failed to suggest a figure

 because this figure better characterizes the invention

 None of the figures

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int. Cl. 7: C07K 19/00; A61K 39/00, 39/21, 39/245, 39/29

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

Databases: medline, ca, wpids, biosis, biotechabs

Keywords: hydrophobic, epitope, polyepitope, polytope, shuffle, recombine, rearrange, reorder, relocate

Databases: GenPept, PIR, SwissProt, TrEMBL

Sequences: SEQ ID NOS: 1-5

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 6,070,126 A (KOKOLUS, W.J. <i>et al.</i>), 30 May 2000	
A	WO 00/63693 A (KOKOLUS, W.J.), 26 October 2000	
A	DEAVIN, A.J. <i>et al.</i> , "Statistical comparison of established T-cell epitope predictors against a large database of human and murine antigens", Molecular Immunology (1996), vol. 33, no. 2, pages 145-155	

 Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C See patent family annex

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"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance	"T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention	
"E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date	"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone	
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A	WO 01/47541 A (EPIMMUNE INC.), 5 July 2001	
A	WO 96/03144 A (THE COUNCIL OF THE QUEENSLAND INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH <i>et al.</i>), 8 February 1996	
A	WO 97/05164 A (CSL LIMITED <i>et al.</i>), 13 February 1997	

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Information on patent family members

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This Annex lists the known "A" publication level patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned international search report. The Australian Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

Patent Document Cited in Search Report			Patent Family Member				
US	6070126	NONE					
WO	200063693	AU	200046489	CA	2370760	EP	1179178
WO	200147541	AU	200126075	CA	2394748	EP	1242108
		US	2002119127	WO	2002083714		
WO	9603144	CN	1154069	AU	30723/95	CA	2195642
		EP	769963	NZ	290089	AU	47459/99
WO	9705164	AU	65102/96	CA	2228221	EP	840747
		NZ	313108	NZ	334582	US	6365160
		ZA	9606381				

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